

OUR SCHOOL EXHIBITS.

WONDERFUL PROGRESS IN EDUCATIONAL LINE. THE DRAWING, SEWING AND METAL DEPARTMENTS.—CROWDS VISIT THE EXHIBITION.—THE FOREIGN EXHIBIT UNDER OUR SEWING DIRECTRESS.

The exhibit of the colored schools in all branches of art was the occasion of great admiration at the colored High school, commencing on last Saturday morning closing on last Wednesday evening. The District Commissioners visited the exhibition on the opening day and were highly pleased with the work that was accomplished. Superintendent Cook, was present and manifested much interest in the work and showed the Commissioners much attention.

THE FIRST FLOOR.

was taken up with exhibits from the Manual training school, under the direction of directors J. H. Hill and J. D. Baltimore. Both of these gentlemen deserve special mention. The displays in this department were wonderful. They fully demonstrated that these two gentlemen knew their business. The importance of the department was fully shown in the exhibits.

THE SECOND FLOOR.

was occupied by the sewing department and other school work in the lower grades. The sewing school was under the direction of Miss Carrie E. Syphax and her efficient corps of assistants, Misses Griffin, Anderson, Thomas, Hamer, Alexander, and Mesdames Lewis and Thomas.

This department deserves special mention for the unique arrangements of the work. Miss Syphax also had charge of the foreign work at the Masonic Temple. These were in charge of her assistants. The Commissioners where more than pleased and satisfied with the work of this department.

Too much cannot be said of the judgement displayed, by the directress, in the arrangements of the rooms in which these exhibits were displayed. The dress-making department, under Miss Thomas, showed that lady has not been idle. Everything was shown. Cotton was shown in the seed and indeed the spool on which it was placed. The ladies showed thorough knowledge of their work. On the same floor was another room in which was displayed the work in the

LOWER GRADES.

This room was under the supervision of Misses Smith, Tucker, Montague and others. Miss Smith has an invention of her own. She has applied for a patent. This was a very interesting apartment. It could be readily seen how the young mind has been developed.

THE UPPER FLOOR.

was under the direction of Prof. T. W. Hunster. Beyond all doubt, this gentleman is entitled to great praise. The natural history department was wonderful. The insects and the stuffed birds and animals fully convinced those who saw them that Prof. Hunster was master of his profession. The large butterfly mounted upon a flower and made to work by a contrivance made by the professor, was quite interesting. The drawing by his teachers and pupils showed great art and skill.

THE PHYSIC DEPARTMENT.

was under the direction of Prof. H. M. Brown. He is the master of the situation. He was assisted by Prof. Brooks, the son of the late John H. Brooks. If you wanted to see the natural skill of the youth and know the knowledge the young colored youth has of electricity, you should have visited this department.

The closing night of the exhibition was visited by some of the most distinguished people in the city. The visitors were more than satisfied to see the progress of the colored schools of Washington. They were convinced that no State in this Union can produce the school that can show such exhibits as were displayed in the High school. Too much cannot be said of this fine exhibition and great credit is due to the officers and teachers. A representative of The BEE escorted several distinguished educators to this exhibit and they remarked that they have never seen such work before by the race in school.

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EX-LIEUT. FLIPPER'S LETTER.

He indorses Capt. McDonald.

Washington, D. C., July 12, 1898
To the Editor of The BEE:—
Permit me to add my testimony, as to the sterling worth of Captain John McDonald, who seeks reelection to Congress from the Sixth Maryland district. My army register shows that Capt. McDonald entered the army as a private in 1857 and served, in the capacity of private, non-commissioned officer and commissioned officer, on the western frontier and through the war till 1868, when he was retired for disability in the line of duty. Is not that an enviable record? The civil record of this modest gentleman is enviable. Leaving the profession of arms after the close of the war, he dedicated himself to agriculture in a section of country where negroes largely predominated in the population. Here, as on the field of battle, we find him still fighting for the rights of the newly made citizen and it was almost solely by his efforts that the civil rights given the negro were not made nugatory.

Capt. McDonald has been a constant and unswerving friend of the negro from the day he offered his life that the negro might be free, till now, fighting for his civil rights, aiding him in his schools, his churches his business and even in dispensing charity to the needed. He has never faltered and never failed.

I can speak personally of his warm friendship for the negro, his determination to have justice done every man wherever he can lend a helping hand.

Being the first negro graduate of the Military Academy, at West Point and having been railroaded out of the army, I had a bill introduced in Congress to restore me to the service. Capt. McDonald took up my bill and pushed it with his usual vigor and is deserving of the gratitude of every negro who loves his race and of every man who loves justice. It was not possible to get the bill through on account of the great amount of war legislation put through at this session, but, in the last moments of the session by almost super-human effort, Capt. McDonald by personally canvassing the members of the Military Committee obtained a favorable report on my bill. This report puts me in a most favorable position for securing the passage of my bill at the next session of Congress in December.

Personally, I am profoundly grateful to Capt. McDonald and I earnestly ask all race men in his district who desire to see a negro officer restored to his rightful place in the army, to vote for Capt. John McDonald, and return him to Congress in the belief that they can elect no better man and no more honorable a gentleman to represent them in the national legislation.

Henry O. Flipper,
Late 2nd Lieutenant,
10th U. S. Cavalry.

MAJOR FLEETWOOD INDORSED.

A COMMITTEE OF COLORED EDITORS CALLED ON THE PRESIDENT.

Washington, D. C., July 11, 1898
To His Excellency, Wm. McKinley, President of the United States.

Sir:—
We take great pleasure in congratulating you on the success of the American Army and Navy in the campaign in Cuba. As American citizens we are proud of the victories which have been won; as colored men we are glad that regiments composed of men of our race have taken part in the hottest of the conflict about Santiago and now share in the glory and honor that belongs to our army.

We have come today, Mr. President, to say a word in behalf of Christian A. Fleetwood, whom we should like to see selected by you as a colonel of one of the regiments which we understand you will soon call for. Mr. Fleetwood, of whom you have heard before, was a soldier in the late Civil War and so distinguished himself that he was granted a medal by Congress for his bravery. Mr. Fleetwood is a man of splendid mental qualifications and he has kept up his military training by membership in the militia of the District of Columbia.

It is reported, Mr. President, that it is not the purpose of the Administration to give colored men commissions in the army higher than that of a lieutenant. We earnestly request that you appoint Mr. Fleetwood to a colonelcy as a refutation of this report. We believe in your fairness, Mr. President, and we feel that you will do our race complete and full justice in its efforts to assume the full duties and responsibilities of American citizenship.

Chris J. Perry, *Phila. Tribune*;
John H. Murphy, *Afro-American*;
E. E. Cooper, *Colored American*;
Robert Pelham, J. C. Bradford.

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From the Defender. (H. C. C. Astwood, Ed.)

Mr. E. Cooper's paper, the Colored American, turns its guns against the race by condoning the outrage against the race on the part of the prejudicial Secretary of the Interior. The Colored American upon this question, is looking through colored glasses.

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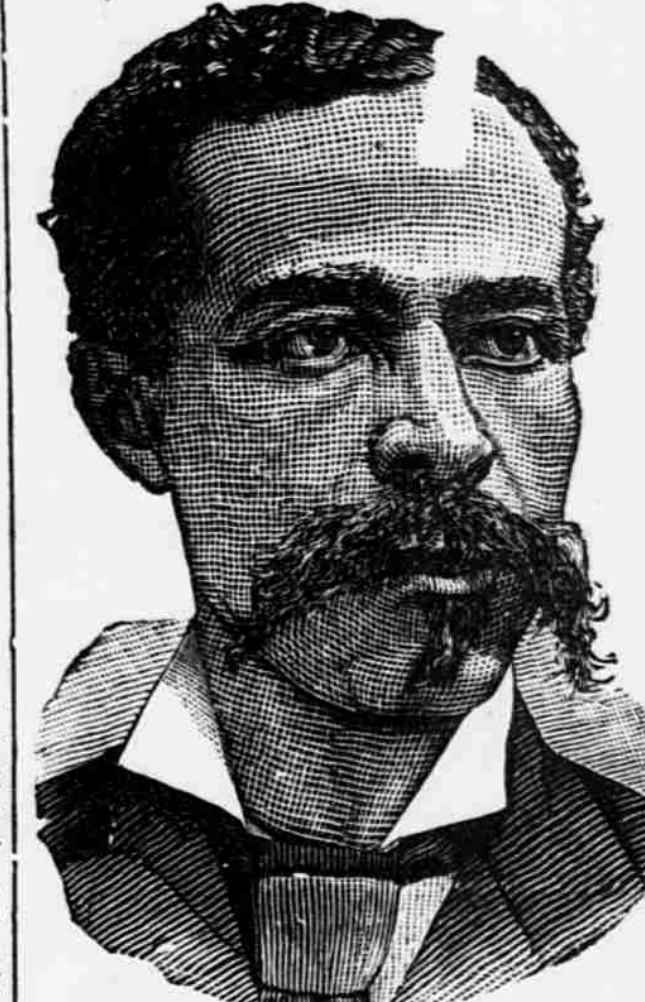
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MAJ. LYNCH COMPLIMENTED.

His friends provide him with sword and uniform.

John R. Lynch, who was recently appointed by the President a paymaster in the United States Army with the rank of major, was the recipient of a handsome sword Saturday afternoon last. The presentation exercises took place in the law office of Lynch & Terrell, and were largely attended by the friends of the paymaster. Mr. Lewis H. Douglas, who was sergeant major of the 54th Massachusetts Regiment of Colored Volunteers, and who served at Fort Wagner with Col. Robert Gould Shaw, made the presentation address, and Mr. Lynch appropriately responded. There were short talks in addition commendatory of the President and Paymaster Lynch by Ex-Governor Pinchback and Col. James Lewis of Louisiana, Prof. H. H. Hart of Howard University, Rev. Sterling N. Brown, Judson W. Lyons, register of the treasury; H. P. Cheatham, recorder of Deeds; Attor-



ney R. S. Smith, Robert Pelham of Detroit, Mich.; H. C. C. Astwood of Pennsylvania, E. E. Cooper of the Colored American, L. C. Bailey of the Capital Savings Bank and Geo. W. Poe. Robert H. Terrell acted as master of ceremonies. Letters were read from J. P. Green and W. Calvin Chase. The sword is mounted in gold with a handle of tortoise shell, with a fitting inscription on its blade. It is the gift of Lewis H. Douglass, L. C. Bailey, J. A. Johnson, D. B. McCary, Robert T. Douglas, John A. Pierre, H. E. Baker, Dr. W. S. Lofton, W. Mc Kinlay, Dr. A. W. Tancil, W. H. Hart, R. S. Smith, J. A. Lewis, R. W. Tompkins, A. Horn, C. S. Wormley, W. H. Wilkes, James T. Bradford and Robert H. Terrell.

Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock a regulation uniform was presented to Major Lynch by Wyatt Archer, L. K. Brown, Dr. J. C. Norwood, J. H. Lewis of Boston, D. B. McCary, Geo. W. Poe, Robert H. Terrell, Miss S. A. Somerville, Geo. P. Davis, Major C. A. Fleetwood, Theodore H. Greene, Col. A. Newberger and Geo. W. Scott. The presentation address was made by Mr. Wyatt Archer who has been the leading spirit in this effort to thus honor Mr. Lynch.

Among others present on the occasion of the sword presentation, in addition to those already named were L. M. Hershaw, J. E. Johnson, Prof. C. W. Lecky of Texas, Prof. J. A. Henry of Tennessee, E. W. Henry, H. D. Williams, Major Chas. R. Douglass, Mrs. McCary, Misses Maud McCary, and Carrie Lewis.

At the ceremonies incident to the presentation of the uniform on Monday, eloquent talks were made by L. K. Brown, Theodore H. Greene, Geo. P. Davis, Editor W. Calvin Chase of The Bee, Dr. J. C. Norwood, Major C. A. Fleetwood.

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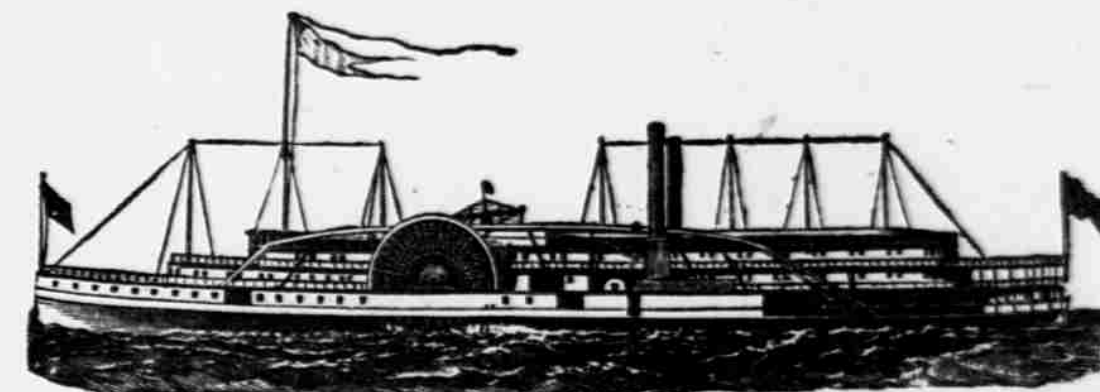
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